

HOSPITAL AND TRAINING-SCHOOL ITEMS



HOSPITALS

At Collingwood, Ontario, an interesting event took place on Friday, August 11, when, after a dedicatory prayer by the Rev. Mr. Irwin, Mayor Wilson in a few appropriate words formally declared the new wing of the General and Marine Hospital open to the public. The general public were cordially invited to be present, and many persons availed themselves of the opportunity to inspect the building, which contains a modern operating-room with the usual complement of anæsthetic, sterilizing, wash-, and dressing-rooms, ten private wards, sitting-room, diet kitchens, and board-room. The wing is well finished throughout, and will add much to the usefulness and appearance of the hospital.

GODERICH, Ontario, expects soon to have a new hospital. This will make the sixty-fifth hospital in Ontario.

TRAINING-SCHOOL NOTES

THE Johns Hopkins Hospital Training-School for Nurses graduated its fourteenth class of pupils on Thursday, May 25. The exercises were held, as usual, in the hall of the Physiological Building of the Medical School, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity. On the platform were the trustees, President Remsen, of the Johns Hopkins University, the superintendents of the Hospital and Training-School, and others. The officers and teachers of the Training-School—resident and non-resident—were grouped upon one side of the platform, and the class of graduates, thirty-nine in number, upon the other side. The opening prayer was by the Rev. Alfred Hussey, of the Unitarian Church, and the address was by Mr. Robert Ely, director of the League for Political Education in New York. His subject was "The Social Opportunities of the Trained Nurse," and his address, which was given without notes, was of unusual interest and inspiration. The various opportunities for useful work in the community, which are open more freely, perhaps, to the trained nurse than to any other person, were reviewed and each one carefully considered. The urgent need of her skilled services for the relief of the troubles (physical and moral) of the people about her was dwelt upon at length. Following a consideration of these opportunities and needs the speaker dwelt with great earnestness upon the obligations which confront the graduate nurse of to-day—obligations which are in direct proportion to her ability to meet them, and constitute a call for service of the very highest order. His whole address was a serious and forcible appeal to nurses to keep a high ideal of duty, and it is a matter of regret that it was not given in a form which would enable us to publish it for general benefit. Miss Nutting presented the usual report of the work of the Nursing Department for the year. Diplomas were given to the largest class which has ever been graduated from the school (thirty-nine in number), and scholarships were awarded to the following students:

Senior Year.—Cora H. Baker, Stillman Valley, Ill. (holder of scholarships in Junior and Intermediate Years), scholarship for four hundred and eighty dollars for the purpose of pursuing post-graduate study and special work in the school.

Intermediate Year.—Adele McDonald, Sterling, Ontario, Canada; Bertha Stark, Leominster, Mass.; Viola MacLellan, Winchester, Mass.; Adeline Rowland, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Junior Year.—Helen Landers, Thurmont, Md.; Effie J. Taylor, Hamilton, Canada; Sarah R. Addison, Baltimore, Md.; Alice E. Henderson, Newton, Mass.

After the ceremonies in the hall were concluded the guests adjourned to the grounds of the hospital, where several tents and marquees were erected and where refreshments were served to about six hundred people.

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Association held its annual meeting at the Training-School on the following day, Friday, May 26, at which there was a large attendance. Luncheon was served to the members of the association on the grounds of the hospital, and after the business of the day was transacted a brief address was given by Miss Mabel Boardman, member of the National Red Cross Committee. Miss Boardman has the distinction of being the only woman who is a member of this committee, and her splendid efforts during the past few years in aiding in the reconstruction of the Red Cross Society are well known and widely appreciated. At this moment, when new State societies are being formed and the question of enrolling Red Cross nurses is one of much importance which must be well considered, it is essential that a thorough understanding of Red Cross work, its history and purposes, be presented carefully before our various nursing societies. Miss Boardman's address was full of interest and will be published later in the *Alumnae Magazine*.

The officers elected for the year were: President, Miss Bartlett; first vice-president, Miss A. Miller; second vice-president, Mrs. Lord; treasurer, Miss Lawler; corresponding secretary, Miss Dixon; recording secretary, Miss MacMahon; members of the board—Mrs. Finney, Miss Ross, Miss S. Shrive, Miss Shearn, Miss V. McMaster.

THE graduation of the Richmond, Va., Memorial Hospital Training-School for Nurses occurred May 31. The commencement exercises were held in the chemistry room of the venerable Medical College of Virginia, where for nearly three-quarters of a century the healing art has been taught to the multitudes who have thronged its halls. The exercises were opened with prayer by the Rev. William R. L. Smith, pastor of the Second Baptist Church. He was followed by Dr. Christopher Tompkins, dean of the Medical College of Virginia, who said in part: "The Training-School of the Memorial Hospital is composed of thirty-six pupils at the present time, but this number will be increased by fall to forty. This school has the distinction of being the only one in the Commonwealth of Virginia whose graduates are recognized by the Board of Regents of the State of New York. I am also authorized to announce that this school, beginning with next fall, will be conducted on the eight-hour system, the Memorial being the first hospital south of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, of Baltimore, to proclaim the adoption of this plan." The diplomas and badges were conferred upon the graduates by Dr. George Benjamin Johnston, who told them that the diplomas were given as evidence that they had acquired sufficient knowledge to entitle them to graduation and had been earned by them by their work and study. He

said that the badges, however, were infinitely more valuable, as they were gifts from the institution, tokens which indicated approval of character, badges of honor which could only be worn by those who were worthy, as they could be withdrawn in the event of failure to live up to the high standards which had been taught them by precept and example during their training. He stated that it had been customary to give two other badges, one to the nurse who had rendered the most faithful and skilful service during her training, and the other to the nurse who had stood highest in the examinations, but that on this occasion both honors had been won by the same nurse and that it had been decided to give in lieu of the badges a prize consisting of a nurse's bag and outfit, which in a few well-chosen words he presented to Miss Balmer.

Colonel George Wayne Anderson, the orator of the occasion, was then introduced and delivered a charming address, "Life, Real and Earnest." He spoke of life, its duties, pains, and joys. In beautiful language he pictured the happiness that comes from a life which is filled with definite purpose and worthy motives, and closed by saying:

"If then we have faithfully discovered some of the hidden laws of life, how sure may we be that the ladies who graduate here to-night have set their feet in the true path. For them life is to be real. For them it will be earnest. For them it is filled with purpose. To them life is action, action that is noble, action that is merciful, action that is divinely blessed. The bubbling springs of childhood's hour are passed. The little brooks have flowed by the pebbly shore. The stream no longer lingers by the way to caress the flowers. It has gathered strength as it flowed along, and now, in well-marked lines, it rushes on to service and to destiny. And what a service, what a destiny! A service of self-sacrifice and of tender mercy! To lighten the pain of suffering, to cool the throbbing brow. To stand in the temple of life as the vestals stood in the temple of old as handmaids of the Lord. With skilled hands to burnish the lamp of life, to feed its flame and make bright its steady light, to work with and for the Giver of life, if haply under His guidance the life which He gave may be spared for the purpose of His gift. It is a noble calling. It is a glorious service, and for those who with pure heart perform its mighty music will ring the master notes of all high living and the keynotes of Christian civilization."

After Colonel Anderson had finished his address the handsome bouquets were handed to the graduates, many of whom were literally buried in these beautiful testimonials of good-will and esteem. After the benediction the nurses adjourned with their friends to the Nurses' Home, on Broad Street, opposite the hospital, where a reception was held. The names of the members of the graduating class are: Misses Mary Balber, Florence Black, Lucinda Patton, Romerta Tompkins, and Christine Worsham.

THE commencement exercises of the graduating nurses of the Charleston, (W. Va.) General Hospital, June 15, were very impressive and largely attended. The spacious halls of the great building were beautifully decorated with flags, bunting, and flowers for the graduation of three young ladies into the world of nurses after three years of hard study and incessant toil. This is the first graduation in the history of Charleston. George H. Shrewshury was chosen chairman of the exercises and made a short address. The music was furnished by Miss Lucy Couch, to which the graduates, Misses Virginia Wood, of Clifton Forge, Va.; Janet Kay, of Kayford, W. Va., and Garnet Moore, of Greenup, Ky.,

entered, accompanied by Miss Reid, superintendent of the Training-School, Miss Peyton, head nurse, and the undergraduates. Then the report of Dr. H. H. Young, superintendent of the hospital, was read. Dr. G. C. Schoolfield made a very able and interesting address to the graduates, followed by a very instructive talk by Rev. Ernest Thompson. The diplomas were presented by Captain J. R. Seal, vice-president of the Board of Trustees of the hospital. Music was then rendered by Miss Nettie Kate Means, of Shreveport, La. This was followed by the presentation of the double ruffe. This ceremony was very impressive and consisted in the removal of the white cap of the training nurse and the bestowal of the double-ruffled cap of the graduated nurse. The class averages were: Highest general average, Miss Garnet Moore. Highest average in anatomy, Dr. McMillan's class, Miss Garnet Moore. Highest average in physiology, Dr. Putney's class, Miss Virginia Wood. Highest average in chemistry and analysis, Dr. Hughey's class, Miss Janet Kay. Highest average in diseases of eye, ear, nose, and throat, Dr. Churchman's class, Miss Kay and Miss Woods, first, and Miss Garnet Moore, second. Special prize for best work in second grade, Miss Daisy Harris. Special prize for superintendent of nurses for best work in junior year, Miss Rosamund Fitzer.

THE school year of the Seattle General Hospital Training-School for Nurses closed with the graduating exercises at the First Methodist Episcopal Church on Tuesday, June 5, 1905, Mr. Lippy presiding. The address of the evening was delivered by St. Mark's eloquent pastor, Rev. Lloyd. Dr. Read gave the parting words of cheer and loving counsel to the class. After the presentation of the diplomas and pins, with flowers breathing of gratitude, best wishes, love, and blessings, the class, with their companions and friends, were received at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Lippy. The commencement time was ushered in by a delightful excursion on the Sound, with a picnic dinner at Pleasant Beach, given to Mr. Joshua Green and the medical staff of the Seattle General Hospital. The excursion was a complete success, and all regretted that this "Joshua" could not command the sun to stand still, and so prolong the gayety. The baccalaureate sermon on Sunday evening, June 4, delivered by Dr. Wharton, friend of every nurse and everyone else, was inspiring—"I was sick and ye visited me." It was on the beauty of the life of service. The Wednesday following the graduating exercises the Class of 1906 gave a launching party to their seniors, stopping at Mercer Island for lunch and a good time, which nurses always succeed in having. Thursday evening a reception for the class at the home of Miss Gussie Button, Class of 1903. Saturday a luncheon given by Mrs. Ball, ex-night superintendent, but always a member of the Seattle General Hospital family. The last festivities were a day at the summer home of Dr. Booth. The graduates are: Jeanetta May Johnston, Mayo Louise Lawson, Laura Atkinson, Lillian Carter, Katherine Theresa Gorman, Anna Mathilda Kernell, Jennie May Sanders, Edna Kinkade, Margaret Elizabeth Murphy, and Aileen Bates.

THE commencement exercises of the Metropolitan Training-School, Blackwell's Island, were held in the Solarium on Saturday, May 27. Ten pupil nurses and nine post-graduates received diplomas. The number of graduates was unusually small, owing to the course having been extended from two to three years. Addresses were made by Clinton L. Bagg, M.D., president of the Medical Board of the hospital, and Miss Laura D. Gill, dean of Barnard College. The prizes were presented by the Hon. James H. Tully, Commissioner of Public

Charities. Prizes for the best bedside record and temperature chart were carried off by Miss Logan. The diplomas were presented by Miss Florence Guernsey, one of the Board of Managers of the school. A reception and dance followed, and care and sickness for the time being seemed forgotten. During the past year the Alumnae Association has been incorporated, and we now have five honorary and eighty-two active members. The regular meetings are held the second Tuesday of every third month, at the Nurses' Home, Blackwell's Island. During the past year Miss Clara M. Evans has taken charge of the Training-School of the St. Thomas Hospital in San Francisco, Cal.; Miss Nellie Jackson of the Training-School of the Woman's Hospital in Montreal, Canada; Miss Lyda T. Leach of Christ's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Miss Lilian Henderson of the nursing department of the Mount Royal Sanitarium, Montreal, Canada.

THE twenty-seventh annual graduating exercises of the Training-School of the Buffalo General Hospital took place on June 12. The exercises were held in the gymnasium of the Nurses' Home. The graduating class wore white uniforms and carried red carnations, red being their class color. The gymnasium was tastefully decorated in green and white. The programme consisted of selections sung by a double male quartette, presentation of badges by Dr. Hinkel, chairman of the Training-School Committee. Dr. Roswell Park made the address to the graduating class, and Dr. Harrington made each a gift of a hypodermic case. Mr. Pardee, president of the board, presented the diplomas to the following graduates: Miss Mary Stevenson, Miss Minnie Mullen, Miss Mary Young, Miss Lou Thompson, Miss Anna Hahn, Miss Alice Anderson, Miss Esther Lynn, Miss Alice Tolhurst, Miss Flora Shull, Miss Eleanor Gillespie, Mrs. May Mead, and Miss Pauline Howden. Following the programme an informal reception was held in the red parlor, and refreshments were served on the lawn, which was lighted with strings of Chinese lanterns.

THE Training-School for Nurses of the Seattle General Hospital has just closed a most pleasant and profitable school year. The school now numbers forty, each class being regularly organized. A new fire-proof addition to the hospital is nearly completed, which will raise the capacity of the institution from seventy-five to one hundred and twenty-five beds. One of the most pleasing features of the proposed change will be the removal of the culinary department to the fifth floor of the new building. This will give the nurses a large, cheery dining-room with windows on three sides, one side commanding a view of the Sound and Olympia, another of Mt. Ramie. In connection with this department there will be installed a diet kitchen under the supervision of Miss Genevieve Severy, recently an instructor in Simmons College, Boston, Mass.

THE graduating exercises of the Nicholls Hospital Training-School for Nurses, Peterborough, Ontario, were held in the Young Men's Christian Association Hall on the evening of Monday, June 26. Richard Hall, chairman of the board, gave a pleasant address of welcome. Rev. E. A. Langfelt gave an excellent address to the nurses, inciting them to fervor in their work. Dr. W. Caldwell gave an earnest charge to the nurses. The nurses stood and repeated the pledge, after which Mr. Hall presented the diplomas and medals. Miss Foster was presented with a nurse's surgical set, as she came first in the bandaging contest. Miss Wilson read the valedictory. The graduating nurses are Miss H. D. D. Wilson, Miss Mabel J. Foster, and Mrs. Leona J. Doyle.

THE Jamaica (Long Island) Hospital Training-School for Nurses had its second commencement exercises on Tuesday, May 23, at the Presbyterian church, the ceremony attracting a large gathering. Mrs. Charles H. Harris, president of the school, occupied the chair. The graduates are Miss Bessie Whiting Moore, Miss Harriet Winslow Lee, and Miss K. Pearl Jones. Nine other nurses who are taking the course were witnesses of the ceremonial. Dr. Walter B. Chase made a short introductory address, in which he spoke eloquently of the honored office of nurse, after which the diplomas were presented by Dr. Herbert Noble. Mrs. E. H. Ward, superintendent of the school, administered to the graduates the time-honored oath of Hippocrates.

THE commencement of the Philadelphia Woman's Hospital Training-School for Nurses was held on Tuesday evening, May 23, at eight o'clock, in Clinic Hall, North College Avenue, near Twenty-second Street. The class numbered nineteen. The names are: Miss Nettie S. Rader, Miss Annie Warren, Miss Lillian Tucker, Mrs. Helena C. Smith, Miss Louise Mellotte, Mrs. Edith M. Colmery, Miss Katharine Bowman, Miss Mary A. Johnson, Miss Louise M. Gardner, Miss Katherine Monaghan, Mrs. Mary I. Ferguson, Mrs. Mattie Burton, Miss Elizabeth Hunsberger, Miss Elizabeth Gates, Miss Catharine McConaghy, Miss Ruth H. Paxson, Miss Mary L. Finley, Miss Marion A. Moor, and Miss Harriet R. Gaul.

THE late Mrs. E. C. Thayer, of Keene, N. H., who died recently, left ten thousand dollars to the trustees of the Worcester (Mass.) Nurses' Home (City Hospital), the income of which is to be expended for the "pleasure and comfort" of the nurses. This home was the gift of Mrs. Thayer's husband, the late Edward C. Thayer, and when completed cost about fifty thousand dollars. Mrs. Thayer's bequest is unique in its purpose and without doubt will bring "pleasure and comfort" to many hundreds of City Hospital nurses, who will have good reason to remember Mr. and Mrs. Thayer with feelings of gratitude and obligation.

THE graduating exercises of the Baltimore City Hospital Training-School for Nurses were held on May 31. The names of the graduates are as follows: Miss Florence M. Taylor, Miss Susie McKenna, Miss Sadie A. Roe, all of Maryland; Miss Hassie M. Strain, of Virginia; Miss Alice R. Moran, of Pennsylvania; Miss Josephine P. Mikucka, of Poland, and Miss Nannie H. Montgomery, of Washington, D. C. Rev. M. J. Riordan and Professor William Simon addressed the graduates.

AT the annual commencement of the Troy Training-School for Nurses on June 15, 1905, eleven young women were graduated. The principal speaker of the evening was Dr. John B. Harvie. Each graduate received a valuable book, the gift of the staff. A gold medal for special meritorious work, donated by Rev. J. J. Swift, V.G., was awarded to Miss Anna Keeney. A reception followed, which was enjoyed by the graduates and their friends.

THE graduating exercises of the Cochran Training-School for Nurses were held in the "Lodge," St. John's Riverside Hospital, on June 8 at eight P.M. There were eight graduates: Emily Thresher, Agnes Clinkscoale, Harriet K. Thompson, Mary L. Marston, Mary DuBois MacLaurin, Louise McDonald, Lillian D. Oliver, and Matilda K. Montgomery.

AN "At Home" was given the nurses of Grace Hospital Training-School, Detroit, on Thursday evening, July 20, 1905, by Dr. and Mrs. Babcock. "Hearts," music, and a most delightful luncheon contributed to making it an evening long to be remembered.

THE Nurses' Alumnae Association of the Woman's Hospital of Philadelphia gave a tea to the graduating class of the Woman's Hospital at 1227 Arch Street on Wednesday afternoon, May 24. About fifty nurses were present and a very pleasant afternoon was spent.

THE graduation exercises of the Rochester City Hospital Training-School for Nurses occurred on Tuesday evening, June 27, at the City Hospital.

PERSONAL

MISS LUCY V. PICKETT, who resigned her position as superintendent of the Newport Hospital some weeks ago, closed a long and honorable service there and left for her home in New Brunswick, where she will spend the summer resting. Miss Blanche M. Thayer, her successor, is, like Miss Pickett, a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Miss Pickett carries with her the good wishes and the grateful remembrances of many friends whom she has made during her seventeen-years' connection with the hospital, which has grown to be a large and complete institution during this time. Miss Pickett was presented with many substantial remembrances of her faithful service. The trustees of the institution gave her a handsome five-piece silver service, made by Gorham. The nurses' gift was a ring of opals and diamonds, while the medical staff remembered her with a handsome purse which was far from empty. The graduate nurses gave a tea-caddy, and the employes a silver loving-cup, while other gifts were received from former patients or their friends.

MRS. HENRIETTA W. RANDALL, graduate of the Farrand Training-School, Harper Hospital, has been engaged to fill the position of superintendent of the Visiting Nurse Association of Detroit. She assumed charge of the beautiful new home for the nurses, the generous gift of Mrs. Tracey McGregor, on August 1. The removal from the old quarters at 224 Clifford Street to 924 Brush Street will take place during August. The formal opening of the home will occur in September.

MISS VAN KIRK, recently superintendent of nurses at Long Island College Hospital, has been appointed superintendent at Mt. Sinai Training-School in place of Mrs. M. F. Dean, resigned. Miss Anderson, who has been Miss Van Kirk's assistant at both the Long Island College Hospital and the Sloane Maternity, goes with her to Mt. Sinai.

MISS SOPHIA L. RUTLEY, graduate of the Farrand Training-School, Harper Hospital, after a year spent in travel and rest has again resumed hospital work in San Francisco, Cal. She has accepted the position of superintendent of nurses in the San Francisco Training-School for Nurses connected with the City and County Hospital.

MISS M. E. DONEAL, late assistant Toronto General Hospital, was made the recipient of a purse containing seventy-five dollars in gold on the evening of May 26, when a farewell reception was given in the residence in her honor. She was also presented with a cameo brooch and handsome umbrella.

MISS M. MARGARET WHITAKER, president of the Hahnemann Hospital Alumnae Association, Philadelphia, Pa., sailed for Europe on June 10. She will spend some time with a member of the alumnae in Cork, Ireland. Miss Whitaker will return the latter part of October.

MISS KATHARINE BLAKE, University of Maryland, Class of 1901, has resigned the position of superintendent of nurses of the Retreat for the Sick, Richmond, Va., and has been appointed superintendent of the Training-School of the Virginia Hospital in the same city.

MISS FRIDA E. BISWANGER, Class of 1899, Jefferson Medical College Hospital, accompanied by her sister, sailed on the steamer Deutschland on June 22 for an extended trip through Germany, Switzerland, and Italy, returning in October.

MISS LILLIE WILHELM, a Philadelphia graduate, for five years connected with Dr. Kelly's Sanitarium, Baltimore, has resigned her position to join the Instructive Visiting Nurses' Association of Baltimore and do district nursing.

MISS CLARA L. SHACKFORD has resigned from the John Sealy Hospital, at Galveston, Tex., to be superintendent and directress of nurses at Germantown Hospital, Philadelphia, in place of Miss Fay, resigned.

MISS KATHERINE INK, Miss Lily Smith, and Miss Nancy Smith, Johns Hopkins, Class of 1900, have returned from their year of private nursing in Paris and resumed nursing in Baltimore.

MISS E. C. GORDON, superintendent of the General Hospital, Kingston, Ontario, was in Toronto during June in attendance upon her mother, who died of an apoplectic seizure June 23.

MISS VAN INGEN has resigned as night superintendent of the Brooklyn Hospital and accepted the position of assistant superintendent of the Englewood (N. J.) Hospital.

MISS MARY MCGIBBON, Toronto General Hospital, Class of 1904, has been appointed assistant superintendent at the Polytechnic Sanitarium, New Orleans.

MISS NELLIE CAMPBELL, Toronto General Hospital, Class of 1903, has gone to the City Hospital, Vancouver, B. C., to act as head nurse in that hospital.

MISS EMILY LAUSON JONES, graduate of the Brooklyn Hospital, has been appointed acting superintendent of the Englewood Hospital, Englewood, N. J.

MISS AGNES BALDWIN was appointed superintendent of the Polytechnic Sanitarium in April. She graduated from the Toronto General Hospital in 1904.

MISS A. H. REEVES, Class of 1903, University of Maryland, has resigned as superintendent of nurses of the Franklin Square Hospital, Baltimore.

MISS FANNY I. DOOLITTLE, University of Pennsylvania Hospital, is superintendent and directress of nurses at the Meadville Hospital, Pa.

MISS ANNA E. BROBSON, University of Pennsylvania Hospital, is directress of nurses at the Clarkson Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Neb.

MISS MARJORIE M. TAYLOR, University of Pennsylvania Hospital, is superintendent at the John Sealy Hospital, Galveston, Tex.